Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia concluded a hearing to examine a review of United States diplomatic readiness, focusing on the staffing and foreign language challenges facing the foreign service, after receiving testimony from Nancy J. Powell, Director General, Foreign Service, Department of State; Jess T. Ford, Director, International Affairs and Trade, Government Accountability Office; and Ronald E. Neumann, American Academy of Diplomacy, and Susan Rockwell Johnson, American Foreign Service Association, both of Washington, D.C.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1670, to reform and modernize the limitations on exclusive rights relating to secondary trans-

missions of certain signals, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of Paul Joseph Fishman, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey, Jenny A. Durkan, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Washington, Florence T. Nakakuni, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii, Deborah K. R. Gilg, to be United States Attorney for the District of Nebraska, and Ignacia S. Moreno, of New York, to be Assistant Attorney General, all of the Department of Justice.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee met in closed session to receive a briefing on certain intelligence matters from officials of the intelligence community.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 3639–3648; and 8 resolutions, H. Res. 770–771, 773–778 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: Conference report on H.R. 2918, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–265) and

H. Res. 772, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2918) making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–266).

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Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Barrett (SC), wherein he resigned from the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, effective today.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 770, electing a minority member to a standing committee: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Representative McCaul.

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Providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules: The House agreed to H. Res. 766, providing for consideration of motions to suspend the rules, by a yea-and-nay vote of 235 yeas to 182 nays, Roll No. 735, after it was agreed to order the previous question without objection. Pages H9905–07 Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the fol-

lowing measure which was debated on Tuesday, September 22nd:

Expressing support for designation of September 23, 2009, as "National Job Corps Day": H. Con. Res. 163, to express support for designation of September 23, 2009, as "National Job Corps Day", by a 2/3 recorded vote of 413 ayes to 4 noes, Roll No. 736.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

Medicare Premium Fairness Act: H.R. 3631, to amend title XVIII to provide for the application of a consistent Medicare part B premium for all Medicare beneficiaries in a budget neutral manner for 2010, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 406 yeas to 18 nays, Roll No. 737.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H9901.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 41 was referred to the Committee on House Administration. Page H9960

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H9906–07, H9907, H9915. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DOD—SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Committee on Armed Services: Defense Acquisition Reform Panel held a hearing on DOD Supply Chain Management: Can the Department Identify and